

Psalms 109

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Help Me, O Lord My God

- 1** Hold not thy peace, O God of my praise;
 - 2** For the mouth of the wicked and the mouth of the deceitful are opened against me:
they have spoken against me with a lying tongue.
 - 3** They compassed me about also with words of hatred; and fought against me
without a cause.
 - 4** For my love they are my adversaries: but I give myself unto prayer.
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- 5** And they have rewarded me evil for good, and hatred for my love.
 - 6** Set thou a wicked man over him: and let Satan stand at his right hand.
 - 7** When he shall be judged, let him be condemned: and let his prayer become sin.
 - 8** Let his days be few; and let another take his office.
 - 9** Let his children be fatherless, and his wife a widow.
 - 10** Let his children be continually vagabonds, and beg: let them seek their bread also
out of their desolate places.
 - 11** Let the extortioner catch all that he hath; and let the strangers spoil his labour.
 - 12** Let there be none to extend mercy unto him: neither let there be any to favour his
fatherless children.
 - 13** Let his posterity be cut off; and in the generation following let their name be
blotted out.

14 Let the iniquity of his fathers be remembered with the LORD; and let not the sin of his mother be blotted out.

15 Let them be before the LORD continually, that he may cut off the memory of them from the earth.

16 Because that he remembered not to shew mercy, but persecuted the poor and needy man, that he might even slay the broken in heart.

17 As he loved cursing, so let it come unto him: as he delighted not in blessing, so let it be far from him.

18 As he clothed himself with cursing like as with his garment, so let it come into his bowels like water, and like oil into his bones.

19 Let it be unto him as the garment which covereth him, and for a girdle wherewith he is girded continually.

20 Let this be the reward of mine adversaries from the LORD, and of them that speak evil against my soul.

21 But do thou for me, O GOD the Lord, for thy name's sake: because thy mercy is good, deliver thou me.

22 For I am poor and needy, and my heart is wounded within me.

23 I am gone like the shadow when it declineth: I am tossed up and down as the locust.

24 My knees are weak through fasting; and my flesh faileth of fatness.

25 I became also a reproach unto them: when they looked upon me they shook their heads.

26 Help me, O LORD my God: O save me according to thy mercy:

27 That they may know that this is thy hand; that thou, LORD, hast done it.

- 28** Let them curse, but bless thou: when they arise, let them be ashamed; but let thy servant rejoice.
- 29** Let mine adversaries be clothed with shame, and let them cover themselves with their own confusion, as with a mantle.
- 30** I will greatly praise the LORD with my mouth; yea, I will praise him among the multitude.
- 31** For he shall stand at the right hand of the poor, to save him from those that condemn his soul.

HEBREW & GREEK WORD STUDIES

God — אֱלֹהִים (Elohim)

God (plural of majesty)

The Hebrew **Elohim** (אֱלֹהִים) is a plural form denoting majesty and fullness of deity. Though grammatically plural, it takes singular verbs when referring to the one true God, suggesting the Trinity's plurality within unity.

Iniquity — אָוֶן (Avon)

Iniquity, guilt, punishment

The Hebrew **avon** (אָוֶן) encompasses iniquity, guilt, and its punishment—the twisted nature of sin. 'The LORD hath laid on him the iniquity of us all' (Isaiah 53:6), Christ bearing our guilt and penalty.

Lord — יְהוָה / אֲדֹנָי (YHWH / Adonai)

The LORD / Lord

When 'LORD' appears in small capitals, it represents the Tetragrammaton **YHWH** (יְהוָה), God's personal covenant name meaning 'I AM.' When 'Lord' appears normally, it's **Adonai** (אֲדֹנָי), meaning 'my Lord,' emphasizing sovereignty.

Love — אַהֲבָה / חֶסֶד (Ahavah / Chesed)

Love / Loyal-love

Hebrew uses **ahavah** (אַהֲבָה) for love generally, but the covenant term **chesed** (חֶסֶד) describes God's steadfast, loyal love—faithful covenant commitment beyond mere emotion.

Mercy — רַחֲמִים (Rachamim)

Compassion, mercy

The Hebrew **rachamim** (רַחֲמִים) derives from 'womb' (rechem), suggesting tender, maternal compassion. God's mercies are 'new every morning' (Lamentations 3:23), showing His compassionate nature.

Save — יָשַׁע (Yasha)

To save, deliver, rescue

The Hebrew **yasha** (יָשַׁע) means to save or deliver—rescue from danger or distress. This is the root of 'Jesus' (Yeshua), meaning 'YHWH saves.' God alone is Savior: 'I, even I, am the LORD; and beside me there is no saviour' (Isaiah 43:11).

Word — דָּבָר (Davar)

Word, thing, matter

The Hebrew **davar** (דָּבָר) means word, thing, or matter—God's creative and authoritative speech.

'By the word of the LORD were the heavens made' (Psalm 33:6).

CROSS REFERENCES

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Parallel theme: Psalms 28:1. **Peace:** Psalms 83:1; Isaiah 42:14. **Resurrection:** Psalms 118:28; Deuteronomy 10:21; Jeremiah 17:14. **References God:** Exodus 15:2

Psalms 109:2 **Parallel theme:** Psalms 31:13; 31:18; 52:4; 2 Samuel 17:1; Proverbs 6:17; 12:19; Jeremiah 9:5; Acts 6:13. **Evil:** Jeremiah 9:3

Psalms 109:3 **Parallel theme:** Psalms 35:7; 69:4

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Psalms 109:23 **Parallel theme:** Exodus 10:19

Psalms 109:24 **Parallel theme:** Matthew 4:2; Hebrews 12:12

Psalms 109:25 **Parallel theme:** Romans 15:3

Psalms 109:26 **Parallel theme:** Psalms 119:86. **Salvation:** Psalms 69:13; Hebrews 5:7.

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